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legislative study and should properly be referred to the Executive Board.

PRESIDENT: Senator Carsten moves to raise a call, record your vote. Record.

CLERK: 28 ayes, 1 nay.

PRESIDENT: A call is raised. Senator Lewis, for what purpose do you rise, sir?

SENATOR F. LEWIS: Mr. Chairman, I would like to make a motion to unbracket a bill on Select file. Not now, but at the convenience of the speaker I would like LB 472 to be considered. I have an amendment I'd like to offer to that concerning program statement: the issues that we just debated.

PRESIDENT: Senator Lewis if you'd discuss this with the speaker and then you may make your motion at an appropriate time.

CLERK: Motion on your desk, Mr. President. I move to return LB 605 to Select file for a specific amendment, signed Senator Frank Lewis. The specific amendment is on page 33, line 6. [See Journal]

SENATOR FRANK LEWIS: Mr. Chairman, I'd like to speak to this amendment for just a while and then ask Senator Marvel some questions. As you know, a lot of the activities that I engaged in this summer was a discussion of the problem of the elderly. One of the things that I heard fine compliments about and some real attachment to was the ETV program "The Grand Generation". Now, as I understand it that particular program is not being funded for this coming year. I think that due to some interagency bickering and some other things. Based on my knowledge of the program, and based on the response that we received to the program I believe it is a very important program to the elderly in this state. The intention of this amendment is to add the money in. The amendment is currently drawn for general fund money but I'd like to ask Senator Marvel a couple of questions which might allow me to withdraw the amendment temporarily and offer a substitute. Senator Marvel. As I understand the reason this program has not been funded is that there was a lack of communication, shall we call it that, a lack of persistence on the part of either ETV or the Commission on Aging. Is that correct?

SENATOR MARVEL: Let's call it what it is. They simply had a disagreement as to who was going to run the show, between the Committee on Aging and the ETV Commission. That's the cold blooded analysis of the thing. There were two departments in conflict as to who was going to control it and they never could decide who was going to control it, really.

(Speaker Burbach presiding).